

God; they forget not the benefits they have  
received  
from His grace; they do not omit to  
worship Him  
day in and day out; they have not matter  
for thought  
but it concerns Him. They appear like deaf  
and dumb  
to those who look on; they give no place  
in their  
minds to common cleverness; they take  
nothing that  
has not been consecrated to God ; they need  
not heaven's  
bliss, so happy are they here. Success and  
failure,.  
gain and loss, honour and disgrace, fear  
and hope,  
pain and pleasure, gold and mud, sweet  
and bitter,  
praise and blame; they take all good  
and evil  
as subject to God's sway. They see His  
face in all  
things and miss it nowhere; all that they  
eat and give  
to others they consider as service to God;  
they relish  
the taste of His name as the bee the  
juice of the  
flower; they treat wives and children as  
God's devotees  
and care for them as such. Elsewhere he  
tells his mind  
what things are worth man's while.  
Devote yourself  
to God's story. In the worship of metal  
and stone  
images there is nothing to be gained. If you  
bathe in  
many waters, you wash dirt ; but you do not  
get real  
knowledge. Give up low thoughts and serve  
good men.  
In another piece he asks God why He tried  
this servant  
of His servants' servants and begs Him to  
give him  
good. This devotee's one self had not become  
heavy to

God? The devotee's failure indeed was  
immeasurable  
and God is essentially just ; but let Him  
not forsake  
the sinner on that account. Passions  
invested the man  
and he forgot God. Let not the Unchanging  
One, the  
Eternal Bliss in wisdom, look on these many  
and great  
faults, but forgive him. God has to treat  
the devotee  
as servant of His servants\* servants and  
save him. For